

ASSAULTED IN THE DARK.

Mr. Arthur Rooney, Jr., Severely Cut With a Hatchet Last Evening

AT THE R. AND A. RAILROAD OFFICE.

Bob Harvey, a Negro, Arrested, as it is Believed That He Committed the Crime. Poison Found in the Water Cooler.

Mr. Arthur Rooney, Jr., a well-known young man of Richmond, was foully assaulted in the dark last night with a hatchet and cruelly disfigured and seriously injured. Mr. Rooney is a clerk in the employ of the Chesapeake and Ohio railway, and occupies a desk in one of the offices of that company located in the second story of the building on the west corner of Twelfth and Cary streets. At about a quarter of 10 o'clock last evening Mr. Rooney returned to the office for the purpose of completing some unfinished work on his books, and entering the building from the Cary street front, ascended the steps to the upper hallway, where a gas light was dimly burning and thence into a room usually occupied by the janitor of the building.

In this room behind the door was kept the keys of the several office rooms, and it was for the purpose of getting the key to his office on the opposite side of the hall that Mr. Rooney entered the room. He was alone, and the door was dark, but knowing well the exact location of the key, he stepped unhesitatingly behind the door and reached out his hand for the key.

A VICIOUS BLOW. As he leaned forward for this purpose a vicious blow was dealt him over the head from an unseen foe, and dazed and stunned from the murderous attack, he grappled with the unknown assailant, trying at the same time to ward off the terrible strokes rained on his unprotected head. Feeling his inability to cope with the unseen foe and almost senseless from the blows, he cried out with all his strength, "Who is there?" and the assailant, who was on the floor, ran down the steps to the Cary street entrance, but was met by Mr. T. R. Thompson, whose office is on the ground floor, and retreated to the upper story.

Archer Morris, one of Mr. Thompson's colored drivers, ran around to the rear entrance, which is level with canal bank street, and holding to the door prevented his escape from that direction. The sounder, however, ran down the hall to the office and, having the window jumped to the street and fled. Archer Morris followed him for some distance and might have overtaken him but for fear of receiving injury to himself. The fugitive escaped, and when seen last was running up Canal street.

Mr. Rooney was taken down stairs to Mr. Thompson's office and the ambulance called. On examination by the ambulance surgeon, it was found that he had a dozen ugly cuts on the head, across the back of his neck and his arm and hand, and that the blood was flowing from the wounds. One blow cut entirely through the left eyebrow and made a very painful and disfiguring wound. As soon as Mr. Rooney's wounds were dressed he was carried to the Retreat for the Sick.

THE WEAPON. A knife and small hatchet were found in the room where the struggle took place, and what picked up on the sidewalk was thought to be the property of Bob Harvey, formerly janitor of the railroad offices, who was discharged from that position about two months ago, and Mr. Rooney, who was shown the last, identified it as being the kind worn by his assailant as seen in the dim light of the hallway.

A MISTAKE. It is believed from the circumstances surrounding the case that the attack upon Mr. Rooney was a mistake upon the part of Bob Harvey and intended for the new janitor, named Charles Richardson, a mulatto, almost white, and about the same size as the victim to the vicious fate of his predecessor. It is thought that Bob Harvey has had enmity in his heart against the new janitor for taking his place, and that he hid himself in the room occupied by Charles and waiting his return mistook Mr. Rooney in the dark for his successor.

Bob Harvey since his discharge has been employed in offices in the neighborhood and from time to time has hung about his old quarters.

POISON. A circumstance occurred this morning which indicated that a still deeper crime was premeditated than that which occurred, and probably by the same fiend who made the murderous attack on Mr. Rooney, Charles, the new janitor, this morning when cleaning about the office discovered something which floating on the water in the cooler, and tasting the water found it bitter and drew it off into a bucket. He called the attention of the clerks in the office to the fact and said he believed somebody had put poison in the cooler. The matter was treated lightly, but however, after the attack on Mr. Rooney, last night, when the affair was recalled and the bucket examined. A white pasty matter was found in the bottom of it, and also some in the cooler and a flask tumbler. Dr. Brock, who was called to the assistance of Mr. Rooney, examined the bucket and said it had the appearance of arsenic. The bucket was taken to the Second police station to be more carefully examined.

MR. ROONEY'S STATEMENT. Mr. Rooney stated to Police Officers Lange and Waddell that when he was attacked he struck his assailant three times with his fist, but the blows from the hatchet came so fast that he partially lost consciousness and fainted out for help.

The cuts on his head were from their nature made by the blunt-edged hatchet found on the floor and it is thought that after the first blow the hatchet broke the assailant resorted to the knife. Mr. Rooney lives with his mother at 705 Mosby street, but was taken to the Retreat for the reason that his mutilated condition would be too great a shock to her.

BOB ARRESTED. At 11:30 last night Captain J. B. Angle, accompanied by Sergeant Brooks and Officers Walton and Wren, went to the house of Bob Harvey, at 1016 West Leigh street, and took him into custody. He was found in bed, apparently asleep, and denied all knowledge of the affair.

The prisoner walked with Charles Richardson last night to the south of Jackson and First streets, when he went home, and Captain Angle's theory of the case is that he immediately returned and went into the Chesapeake and Ohio railway offices for the purpose of obtaining a key to the building, and after entering the building, Captain Angle says he cannot account for the supposed poison in the bucket.

HENRICO COUNTY NOTES. Important Case Sent to the Higher Court. Not a Lunatic.

At the Henrico county court-house yesterday Justice James T. Lewis was engaged in hearing the cases against Conductors Goodman and Sweikert, of the Chesapeake and Ohio railroad, who are charged with feloniously assaulting Charles Lewis (colored) and violently ejecting him from a train on the James river division of that road on August 26th last.

Mr. Hill Carter represented the conductors and Conway R. Sands officiated for the prosecution. After hearing the testimony of Lewis, further examination was waived by the accused, and the case was certified to the county court, which meets next Monday.

Justices Frischoff, Lewis and Allee yesterday held a court of lunacy to inquire into the condition of James Lyne, the well known Seven Pines guide. There was no evidence shown to sustain the charge, and Mr. Lyne was discharged. The returning commission of one of the justices as Mr. Lyne left the court house was, "Jimmy, get your hair cut," and "Jimmy" proceeded straightway to do so. He it said to his credit, he presented an entirely different appearance.

Mr. Walter D. Moses to Marry. Mr. Walter D. Moses, of this city, will, on Thursday, September 24th, be married to Miss Lizzie Emeline Arbuckle, daughter of Mr. Matthew Arbuckle, of New York city. The wedding ceremony will take place in that city, where a reception will be held on that day at the residence of the mother of the bride, 141 east Sixteenth street.

The couple will be at home after October 15th, and will reside at 711 east Franklin street, in this city.

THE NEW MASONIC LODGE.

The Officers Commissioned by the Grand Master—First Meeting.

Grand-Secretary William B. Isaacs, of the Grand Lodge of Masons of Virginia, has forwarded to the district deputy grand master the following instrument:

The Grand Lodge of Virginia—To all whom these presents may come—Greeting: Whereas, it hath been duly represented to me that in the city of Richmond and State of Virginia there resides a number of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons who are desirous of being authorized to proceed forthwith to the organization of a lodge, and it appearing to be for the benefit of the craft in general, as well as for the aforesaid brethren in particular, that they should be encouraged in their laudable endeavors and designs: Therefore, I, do hereby know that I, J. Howard Wayt, Grand Master of Masons in Virginia, by virtue of the power and authority in me vested during the recess of the Grand Lodge, do hereby nominate and appoint our trusty and well-beloved brother, Hartley Armstrong, as Master, Charles Albert Noblit, as Senior Warden, and Richard Perdue Williams, as Junior Warden, together with all such true and lawful brethren as may be permitted to associate with them, to assemble and work as a regular lodge at Richmond city aforesaid, by the designation of Lodge of the Strict Observance, and there to enter Apprentices, past Fellowcrafts and raise Master Masons, agreeably to the customs and usages of the Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, and the ordinances and regulations of the Grand Lodge of Virginia, but not otherwise. And I do hereby require and enjoin the Master and Wardens aforesaid to make due return of this dispensation, and your record, or a copy of all the proceedings had thereunder, to our Grand Lodge at the next Grand Annual Communication, until which time this dispensation shall continue in full force and virtue.

Given under the hand of the Most Worshipful Grand Master and the seal of the Grand Lodge of Virginia, this 6th day of September, A. D. 1891.

The new lodge will hold its first meeting at St. Albans Hall, Monday, September 22nd. It starts with exactly 105 members. The Grand Lodge will be asked for a full charter at its annual communication.

NEW ENGLAND VISITORS. They Spent the Day in Richmond Night-Seeing and Left Last Evening.

The excursionists of the New England Grocers' Association, who arrived on Wednesday night, left the city at 6:30 o'clock last evening for their homes in the North.

They were welcomed at Ford's Hotel, and began the sight-seeing early yesterday morning.

They visited the tobacco factories of J. Wright & Co., T. C. Williams, R. A. Patterson Company and P. H. Mayo & Brother.

A number of our tobacco manufacturers in all of these factories, and were hospitably received. Different members of the visiting party responded with appropriate speeches to the courtesies extended and good humor and witicism were the order of the morning.

A number of our tobacco manufacturers will have exhibits at the Food and Health Exposition, which will be held in Boston from October 5th to 20th.

After their return from an extended drive through the city a number of the party were seen by a Times reporter. They were innumerable in their expressions of delight at the beautiful residences and splendid business accommodations of the city. All of the historic points of interest were visited by them, and each left last evening thoroughly impressed with the beauty and excellence of the surroundings of Richmond.

Many of these visitors, both ladies and gentlemen, have never visited the South before, and the hospitality of her people and the cordiality of the reception they received seemed to impress them favorably.

The recollection of our day in Richmond," said one of the gentlemen, "will always be sweet to me, and I find the Southern home and people all and more than I had imagined."

A MASONIC DEED OF TRUST.

The Temple Association Yesterday Filed it to Secure a Loan of \$75,000.

The board of trustees of the Masonic Temple Association yesterday filed a deed of trust in the clerk's office of the chancery court to secure a mortgage of \$75,000 on the real estate owned by the Association.

The deed, which is signed by Messrs. B. C. Wherry and William E. Tanner, trustees, is given to the Fire Association of Philadelphia for a loan of \$75,000 for ten years at six per cent. per annum, with the privilege of paying off said loan in whole or in part after five years. The deed is secured upon the Masonic Temple building and lot at the corner of Broad and Adams streets, and upon the real estate at the corner of Fifth and Main streets, known as the Allan property, with the proviso that the deed of trust is to be released so far as the property is concerned when, after the completion of the Masonic Temple, the time has elapsed within which mechanics' lien can be put upon it under the statutes of this State, the Allan property being included in the deed only as security against mechanics' liens upon the Temple.

The provisions of the deed set forth that the Masonic Temple Association may after the lapse of five years make part payment on the mortgage of not less than \$5,000 at one time.

In the event that default shall be made in the payment of the \$75,000 or in any instalments of interest thereon, the trustees, should be requested by the owners of the deed of trust, sell the property conveyed after due notice has been given in the public prints.

THE AMBULANCE.

Three calls were made yesterday for the city ambulance.

At 5:30 A. M. to the First police-station to a white man who had received a severe cut on the wrist. He was treated and left at the station.

At 9:50 A. M. to the Chesapeake and Ohio round-house to a colored man who had fallen from a neighboring roof. He was not seriously injured.

At 11:30 A. M. to the Richmond Locomotive to a white man who was struck in the back by the breaking of an enemy wheel. He was treated and left.

AMONG THE PRESBYTERIANS.

Rev. Dr. Robert P. Kerr and wife expect to return to Richmond this evening. Dr. Kerr will occupy his pulpit on Sunday morning and evening.

There will be a meeting of the East Hanover Presbytery in the First Presbyterian church at noon to-morrow to ordain Mr. William C. Keiley, of the ministry. He will leave next week for Japan as a missionary of the Southern Presbyterian Church.

Rev. W. A. Campbell, D. D., has most acceptably filled the pulpit of the First Presbyterian church during the vacation of Dr. Kerr.

PENITENTIARY NOTES.

Robert Wilson was received at the penitentiary yesterday to serve one year for unlawful shooting in James city county.

Ed Fleming (colored) was found dead in cell No. 125 at the penitentiary Tuesday morning. Dr. Nash decided that death was caused by heart disease, as the deceased had been in apparent good health the day before.

THEY HELD A MEETING.

Clay Ward Active held a meeting last evening at Reinhardt's Hall, and matters relative to that organization were discussed and disposed of. Considerable routine business was then transacted, after which the meeting adjourned. No business of public interest was transacted.

THE INJURED ENGINEER.

Mr. H. H. Harton, of this city, the engineer who several days ago had his arm torn off during a railroad accident, has written Captain Frank Cunningham from Charlottesville, that he is doing as well as can be expected under the circumstances. He hopes to be able to return home by the middle of next week.

MR. J. TAYLOR STRATTON.

Among the residents of this city who have declared their intention of becoming candidates for the nomination for members of the House of Delegates Captain J. Taylor Stratton occupies a very prominent position.

PERSONAL AND GENERAL.

Bills of News Gathered Here and There by the "Times" Reporters.

Mr. A. Saks, of Washington, is in the city. Mr. George W. Hill has returned from the White.

Dr. Edward McGuire returned to the city last night. Miss Georgia Stainback, who has been quite sick, is improving.

Mr. Bernard Peyton, who has been quite sick, is improving. Mr. W. G. Freeman has returned from a visit to Huntington and Cincinnati.

Mr. James E. Cook has returned to his studies at Hampton-Sidney College. Mrs. David Lumsden, who has been sick with diphtheria, is now convalescent.

Ex-Sheriff W. H. Jones, of Mecklenburg county, was in the city yesterday on business. Rev. Dr. Hoge will preach in Washington next Sunday, and will return home on Monday.

Mr. Wyndham E. Gary, of Henderson, N. C., formerly of Manchester, is here on a business trip. Dr. T. Robert Baker has been elected corresponding secretary of the Virginia State Pharmaceutical Association.

Miss Hazel Wood left yesterday for Bristol, Pa., via York River route, after a pleasant visit to relatives in this city. Mrs. W. D. Winston left for Philadelphia on the fast mail yesterday to attend the funeral of her friend, Miss Lucille Shaw.

The daily morning gathering of strikers at the Odd Fellows' Hall has ended and very few are now seen in that locality. Mr. Aaron H. Branch, a gallant one-armed Confederate soldier, formerly of Chesapeake, was in the city yesterday.

Captain John W. Wash, of the Midland division of the Chesapeake and Ohio railway, was on a visit to his family Wednesday. Mr. Howard D. Payne, formerly of Richmond, now of New York, is in the city en route home from the White Sulphur.

Mr. William Flegenheimer has left Germany and is now in England. He sails from Southampton for New York September 17th. Mrs. Neal, mother of Mr. T. D. Neal, who has been quite ill for several weeks, is improving. Her daughter, Mrs. Ferrell, of Danville, is at Mr. Neal's.

Cards are out for the marriage of Miss Mary McKenzie, daughter of the Rev. Dr. Jenkins, at Centenary church, September 15th, at 5 o'clock in the afternoon.

Rev. W. P. Hines will preach to-night at the Mission tent at 8 o'clock. Much interest is manifested in these services, and the attendance continues to be large.

Mr. John Calligan, of Ford's Hotel, presented each member of the excursionists of the New England Grocers' Association with a very appropriate souvenir of their visit.

Captain L. R. Ashby, of the Soldiers' Home, has returned from an enjoyable vacation. The Captain was in many a memorable fight between '61 and '65, and his many friends will be glad to learn that he is enjoying excellent health.

A rumor has been prevalent that for the past few days there was diphtheria at the residence of Dr. Charles A. Mercer, of the city. The rumor, however, is untrue, as seen by a Times reporter yesterday and the rumor was flatly contradicted. Dr. Mercer said that one of his children was slightly sick a few days ago, but with an ailment entirely foreign to diphtheria, and that the latter dread disease was to him a study yet unknown.

ASSOCIATION WORK.

The Young Men's Educational Classes—Presented Received.

Applications of members of the Young Men's Christian Association to be admitted to the educational classes, which will be opened early next month, are being presented to Secretary Candlish every day, and a good attendance of the several classes has already been secured. The classes for shorthand and typewriting are receiving the largest attendance, and the number of students is limited, there is only room for a few more applicants in either of the two classes.

Members who are desirous to join any of the educational classes are compelled to make a deposit of one dollar for each class before the end of this month. This deposit will be refunded at the end of the session to those who have attended the classes regularly.

A change has been made in the personnel of the officers of the Association. Mr. Richard Pasley was yesterday appointed librarian. Mr. Pasley was up to the position of secretary of the Association in this city.

Mr. Pasley will also act as assistant secretary during the absence of Mr. James S. Atkinson, who is at present confined to his room by sickness. Mr. Atkinson was at one time critically ill, but he is greatly improved at present. He hopes to be able to attend to his duties again in about two weeks.

Mrs. Clements, of the Conservatory of Music, has presented the Association with a beautiful lamp for the mantle piece in the parlors. The lady will also donate a pair of hand-painted vases, which will be a great ornament to the room.

Two handsome pictures have just been received as donations from a friend of the Association. The pictures represent the city of Virginia, the tunnel at Eggerton station, and the palisades of New River. The pictures now adorn the walls of the reception room.

A general information department has been established by Secretary Candlish, where all kinds of bulletins of any information may be posted.

Secretary Candlish has opened negotiations with certain booksellers to obtain the books to be used in the several classes of the educational department at wholesale prices. The members of the different classes will be enabled in this manner to secure their books from Mr. Candlish at a very low figure.

JUDGE KEILEY'S LECTURE.

The Governor and Prominent State and City Officers to Occupy Seats on the Stage.

The arrangements have all been completed, as has been published in THE TIMES, for the lecture on Egypt, to be delivered by Judge A. M. Keiley, for the benefit of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Monument Association.

The lecture will be given in the Mozart Academy, on Tuesday evening, September 15th.

The Governor and State officers, the Mayor and city officers and members of the Board of Aldermen and City Council have been invited to occupy seats upon the stage.

The members of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Association are requested to call upon Colonel John B. Cary, chairman of the committee, and procure tickets for the event. The indications are that the event will be of great interest, and a grand success is anticipated. The eloquence of the speaker and the entertaining character of the subject combine to make the occasion one of unusual interest, and a general attendance of all of our people, who appreciate the splendid object of the lecture, will undoubtedly prevail.

CITY CENTRAL COMMITTEE.

Mr. James C. Lamb, chairman of the city Democratic committee, will, on the 15th instant, return to this city from his vacation, and he will, no doubt, at once call the committee together to decide how candidates for the Legislature should be secured.

The plan to hold primaries is favored by many, and especially by the numerous candidates. If this plan is adopted the expense upon each candidate will be very light. It is thought that the primaries should be held about October 10th or 15th.

A Temperance Entertainment.

The ladies of the Temperance Union in the city gave an entertainment in the building corner Louisiana and Sixth streets in Fulton last evening, which was well attended. The programme consisted of tableaux, songs and other interesting features.

A Successful Experiment.

A very interesting and successful experiment testing the effectiveness of ricinate, the new fire preventive, was given just below Broad street, under the supervision of Messrs. C. W. Tanner & Co.

DIPHTHERIA GOING.

The Disease Has Almost Been Wiped Out in the Last Two Days.

Two new cases of diphtheria and no deaths was the record at the office of the Board of Health for twenty-four hours ending at midnight last night. There have been only seven deaths in the city of Richmond for five days from this disease. Two of these were women killed on the York River road and two of them from diphtheria, as against thirteen cases last week from that disease. Twenty-five cases of diphtheria have been reported in the nine days from the 2d to the 10th inclusive. Of these four have died and fourteen are convalescent, leaving nine cases of diphtheria now in the city as against twenty or twenty-five two days ago. The rate of mortality when the disease first appeared was 50 per cent. It is now shown by the above figures to be not more than 10 per cent. Dr. Harrison, of the Board of Health, says he is of the opinion that the present rate of mortality from the disease is not over 10 per cent. The improvement in the last two days is marked, and conclusive of the fact that unless some unusual condition arises the ravages of diphtheria in our city is a thing of the past.

THE MARKET-HOUSE FAIR.

A Large Crowd Attend—The Entertainment Proving a Great Success.

Over eight hundred people congregated at the Third market, and the entertainment by the ladies of the Pine-street Baptist church is proving a great success.

Company D, Lieutenant Crawford commanding, was out with about thirty members and gave an excellent drill. They seemed to enjoy the proceedings immensely. Freemen's Parlor Minstrels was exceedingly good, and the young men sang well and acquitted themselves with credit. The ballads by Messrs. Martin, Robinson and Phillips were sweetly and excellently rendered.

A handsome cake was auctioned by a member of Company D, and was finally knocked down to the company for \$4.85. This in turn they presented to the lady managers to be resold at some future occasion.

The programme to-night will include the Freeman Parlor Minstrels and a drill by the Walker Light Guards, who will be accompanied by their band.

REGIMENTAL MATTERS.

Quarters Were Inspected—To Drill for the Sham Battle—An Election.

The quarters and stores of the non-commissioned staff of the regiment were inspected last evening by Colonel Henry C. Jones, and he was very highly pleased with the excellent order in which he found the various portions.

Next week the Army will begin to be the scene of considerable activity. The men will begin to drill for the sham-battle, which will take place the last day of the fair, and there is no reason to doubt but that the display will be in every way creditable.

The meeting of the commissioned officers of the First Virginia regiment of cavalry to elect a successor to Colonel J. V. Bidgood will be held September 15th. Lieutenant Colonel G. Percy Hayes is authorized to designate the time and place. It is thought the election will be held at the Regimental Armory at 8 o'clock on the date above mentioned, and Lieutenant Colonel Hayes is the name most prominently mentioned as Colonel Bidgood's successor.

MARRIED YESTERDAY.

Mr. John A. Livesay and Miss Nannie Ramsey Were Wedded.

A lovely wedding, of which many Richmond people will read with pleasure, was that yesterday at St. Paul's Methodist church in Prince George county.

The contracting parties were Mr. John A. Livesay and Miss Nannie Ramsey. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. D. Deberry, and about 250 persons were present at the happy gathering.

The bride and her maids were all attired in white, while the gentlemen attendants wore the regulation evening dress.

Supper was served during the evening, and with music and dancing, the happy couple were launched upon the placid sea of matrimony.

The following ladies and gentlemen acted as attendants upon the bride and groom: Misses Fayette Ramsey, Gertrude Livesay, Pattie Moss, Grace Eames, L. Newell, Maggie Eppes, Florence Waymack and Delia Peebles. Messrs. B. E. Livesay, John Ramsey, O. J. Pully, E. Newell, E. T. Trench, R. Peebles, J. Leath and W. W. Moss.

VIEWED THE CITY.

The Winston Hall team took advantage of the fact that they did not play yesterday and made a tour of the city, viewing the points of interest. They will probably leave for home to-day.

THE ELBA CLUB.

Elba Democratic Club will meet this evening at 8 o'clock at the Elba Hall, corner of Broad and Munford streets.

FIRE IN FREDERICK.

WINCHESTER, Va., Sept. 9.—[Special.]—The barn of Miss Ann Stickle, near Stephens City, was burned Monday with its contents, consisting of her entire wheat crop, between six and seven hundred bushels, and a large crop, a lot of oats, farming implements, buggy harness, &c., and a lot of hogs. Loss estimated at \$1,000 on contents, \$1,000 on barn; no insurance.

DEATHS.

COLLISON.—Died, Monday morning at 2 o'clock, at the residence of Dr. Hatcher, in Chesterfield county, Va., Mrs. NETTIE COLLISON, the wife of J. C. COLLISON, in the twenty-eighth year of her age.

JONES.—Died, of diphtheria, at 9:30 P. M. yesterday, at the residence of his father, Lewis Jones, on the Brook road, RUSSELL NORWOOD JONES, aged twenty-three months.

WEBBER.—Died, of diphtheria, at 3:15 west City, September 10, JESSIE PELOUSE, daughter of John T. and Linda Tyler Webber; aged four years two and a half months.

WEATHER FORECAST.

FAIR.—FAIR; warmer; stationary temperature; light easterly winds; rain Saturday; easterly winds.

PORT NORTHERN: Fair in northeast; showers in southwest; portion; easterly wind; stationary temperature.

MINUTE THERMOMETER OF YESTERDAY.

9 A. M. 68 9 P. M. 64  
12 M. 80 12 M. 62  
6 P. M. 68 Average 70

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

MINUTE ALMANAC, SEPTEMBER 11, 1891.

Sun rises.....5:33. Moon sets.....11:00 P. M.  
Sun sets.....6:33. Day's length.....12h. 30m.

LAMBERT'S POINT, SEPTEMBER 10, 1891.

ARRIVED.  
Schooners Williamine, Lucinda, 2 Sutton, barge Nereus.

LOADED.  
Barges Storm King, Hoboken, Marion, New London; schooners G. M. Grant, Providence, Boyce, Bridgeport, F. Randall, New Haven.

COALED.  
British steamships Vals, New Orleans, Havre, Salopia, New Orleans, Rouen; Sir Garnet Wolseley, Pansicola, Hull via Cape Sydney.

PORT OF WEST POINT, SEPTEMBER 10, 1891.

ARRIVED.  
Steamship City of Atlanta, New York, merchandise; steamship Charlotte, Baltimore, merchandise and passengers; steamship Elm City, Wilmington, merchandise.

DEPARTURES.

Steamship City of Atlanta, New York, merchandise; steamship Charlotte, Baltimore, merchandise and passengers.

AUCTION SALES.

MONDAY, September 14th, at 5 P. M., trustee's sale of brick house, 61 North Third street.

CONTESTED ELECTION CASE.

Democrats and Republicans Array Themselves For a Legal Battle.

COURT OF APPEALS OPINIONS RENDERED.

Opening of the Virginia Military Institute and the Washington and Lee University—From Over the State.

GLoucester Courthouse, Va., Sept. 10.—[Special.]—A large crowd was out to hear the contested election case which commenced to-day, Judge Garnett, of Mathews county, presiding.

The contestees were represented by Messrs. Donovan, McCallish, Stubbs and Jones; the contestants by Messrs. Henley, Waddill, Bristow and Walker. The first motion was to dismiss, on the ground that the statute requires fifteen qualified voters to the petition and the said petition only contained thirteen, and the requirement of the statute must strictly be complied with.

NOT QUALIFIED.

Three parties on the petition were not qualified voters, which the contestees could prove by depositions taken of parties who, the contestants claim, were and had signed such paper. The contestees also showed that all the signers were on a blank piece of paper and not on the regular complaint.

A motion was made by the counsel for complainants to introduce evidence of an equal number of qualified voters on the stand to prove they were legally qualified voters. This motion was resisted by the counsel for the contestees. Judge Waddill argued to show that the cases of contested elections were not statutory remedies, but purely common law proceedings.

CONTESTEES' DENIAL.

The contestees counsel denied that this was an equitable proceeding and that an equal number of qualified voters on the stand to prove they were legally qualified voters. This motion was resisted by the counsel for the contestees. Judge Waddill argued to show that the cases of contested elections were not statutory remedies, but purely common law proceedings.